

CELL NOTES

Heaven's Ambush

Genesis 28: 10-22

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This week Jacob's ordinary life takes an extraordinary turn – he encounters the living God in a dream. God encounters him and through the dream both encourages and expands him. The dream is life changing and is just one of a multitude of examples where dreams are from God.

But we concluded by seeing that the ladder that is seen here is just a shadow of the true ladder that is Jesus – the place where God comes down to earth to meet us. He paid the price so we could, like Jacob come before a holy God. Finally the Spirit was shown to be vital in entering into a living experience of all that Christ offers.

Jesus paid the price for the encounter and the Spirit provides the power for the encounter

Read the passage and then use some or all of the following questions to aid discussion:

Have people had dreams and/or visions that they feel may be from God that are happy to share?

What particular aspects of Jesus 'being our ladder' speaks to you and why?

What things stop us from having higher expectations of encountering God, despite the fact that the Holy Spirit has been poured out in such all-encompassing way? How can we move forward in this?

Perhaps finish your time with a time of prayer and asking for more of the Holy Spirit and perhaps particularly the gift of prophecy. Ask and expect for Him to move and speak to and through you!